



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Nguyen

Application No.: 09/747,703

Filed: December 21, 2000

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
REDUCING He BACKSIDE FAULTS
DURING WAFER PROCESSING

Attorney Docket No.:
LAM1P155/P0700

Examiner: Kornakov, Michail

Group: 1746

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Dear Sir:

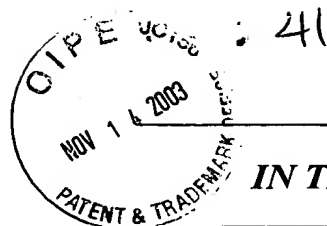
In response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2003 please enter the following amendments and remarks.

The pending Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	33	MINUS	20	13	x 9 =	x 18 = 234.00
Independent Claims	5	MINUS	3	2	x 43 =	x 86 = 172.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$145.00	\$290.00
Total					\$	\$406.00

- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby petition for a _____ month extension(s) of time to respond to the aforementioned Office Action.
- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- ☒ Enclosed is our Check No. 20580 in the amount of \$406.00 to cover the additional claim fee and/or extension of time fees.
- ☒ Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. LAM1P155).

Respectfully submitted,
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